January 11, 1999

Mr. Otto L. Maynard President and Chief Executive Officer Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation Post Office Box 411 Burlington, Kansas 66839

SUBJECT: YEAR 2000 READINESS AUDIT REPORT FOR WOLF CREEK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION (TAC NO. MA1908)

Dear Mr. Maynard:

From November 17, 1998 to November 19, 1998, the NRC staff conducted an audit of the Year 2000 (Y2K) program at the Wolf Creek Nuclear Generating Station (WCNGS). The purpose of the audit was to (1) assess the effectiveness of the Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation's (the licensee) programs for achieving Y2K readiness, including continued safe operation of the plant as well as compliance with applicable NRC regulations and license conditions with respect to potential Y2K problems, (2) evaluate Y2K program implementation to assure that the licensee's schedule is in accordance with NRC Generic Letter (GL) 98-01, "Year 2000 Readiness of Computer Systems at Nuclear Power Plants," guidelines for achieving Y2K readiness by July 1, 1999, and (3) assess contingency plans for addressing risks associated with potential events resulting from Y2K problems. The audit team reviewed selected licensee documentation regarding Wolf Creek and conducted interviews with cognizant licensee personnel. Enclosed for your information is the Year 2000 readiness audit report for the Wolf Creek Nuclear Generating Station.

Please contact me at (301) 415-1341 if you have any questions regarding this audit and its findings.

Sincerely, Original Signed By Chet Poslusny, Senior Project Manager Project Directorate IV-2 Division of Reactor Projects III/IV Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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